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$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & (1a) \\ HO - \frac{1}{m}PS - \begin{bmatrix} N - B - A - Z_1 \end{bmatrix}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_3 \\ \downarrow N - Z_2 \end{bmatrix}_n$$
 (1b)

A is -O-, -S- or
$$\begin{array}{c} Q \\ \downarrow^2 \\ -N- \end{array}$$

(57) Abstract: A reactive polysaccharide derivative of formula (1a) or (1b), in which A is -O-, -S-or (1c), Q₁ is hydrogen, the radical -B-A-Z₁, C₁-C₁₀aryl which is unsubstituted or substituted, C₁-C₁₂alkyl which may be interrupted by oxygen and is unsubstituted or substituted, Q2 and Q3 are each independently of the other hydrogen, C_1 - C_{10} aryl which is unsubstituted or substituted, C1-C12alkyl which may be interrupted by oxygen and is unsubstituted or substituted, B is an aliphatic or aromatic bridge member, Z_1 and Z_2 are each independently of the other a reactive radical of the vinylsulfonyl series, the haloacryloyl series or the heterocyclic series, PS is a polysaccharide radical, m is 0, 1 or an integer greater than 1, n is 1 or an integer greater than 1, and the sum of n+m corresponds to the original number of hydroxy groups in the polysaccharide molecule, is useful as a finishing agent for textile fibers and for other applications.

